Effect of election.

shall be written or printed the words "against the ordinance extending the corporate limits." If at any such election a majority of the voters voting on the ordinance shall vote "for the ordinance extending the corporate limits," then from and after the date of such election the territory described in the ordinance voted upon in such election shall be a part of the corporate territory of said city; and such territory and its citizens and property shall be subject to all the laws, ordinances and regulations in force in said city, and shall also be entitled to the same privileges and benefits as other parts of said city.

Returns.

Sec. 9. The officers appointed to hold the election in making return thereof shall incorporate therein the number of votes cast for and against the ordinance submitted, and shall make their returns to the board of aldermen of the city of Burlington within forty-eight (48) hours after the closing of the polls by filing such returns with the clerk of the city of Burlington. The said board of aldermen shall canvass the returns and shall judicially determine

Time for making returns.

and declare the result of the election.

Canvass of returns and determination of result.

Sec. 10. Except as herein otherwise provided, the registration and election shall be conducted in accordance with the laws then governing elections for municipal officers of the city of Burlington, and governing the registration of the electors for such election of officers.

Law governing election.

Record of election and declaration of result.

Sec. 11. The board of aldermen shall prepare a statement showing the number of votes cast for and against said ordinance submitted, and declaring the result of the election, which statement shall be signed by a majority of the members of the board and delivered to the clerk of the city of Burlington, who shall record it in the then current minute book of the municipality, and file the original in his office and publish it once.

Limitation of

Sec. 12. No right of action or defense founded upon the validity of the election shall be asserted, nor shall the validity of the election be open to question in any court upon any grounds whatever, except in an action or proceeding commenced within thirty days after the publication of such statement.

Effect of election on school districts.

SEC. 13. The Burlington City Graded School District, which is coterminous with the present limits of the city of Burlington, and all school districts outside the present limits of the city of Burlington, which may hereafter be included in whole or in part within the corporate limits of the city of Burlington under the provisions of this act shall, as respects their status as school districts, be and remain as they are at the time of any such extension of the corporate limits of the city of Burlington until changed in the manner provided by law. The board of aldermen of the city of Burlington shall continue to levy and collect wholly within the territory embraced in the Burlington City Graded School District any taxes for the support and maintenance of the schools within said City Graded School District, which said board of aldermen

School taxes.